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SAXIFRAGA HIRCULUS **YELLOW MARSH SAXIFRAGE**

Yellow Marsh Saxifrage is a perennial with tufted stems that are 6-20 cm tall and arising from a short rhizome or stolon. The clustered, oblong-linear basal leaves are 15-50 mm long, taper to a short stalk, and have entire margins. Alternate stem leaves are smaller and sessile. Leaves are glabrous, but the stem has curly reddish hairs above. Solitary flowers occur at the stem tips. Each has 5 separate, spreading to reflexed sepals that are 3-5 mm long with spreading hairs on the margin and 5 yellow, narrowly elliptic petals that are 7-13 mm long. The fruit is a red, 5 lobed capsule that is 9-16 mm high. Flowering in August.

SAXIFRAGA CHRYSANTHA and *S. FLAGELLARIS* are our other yellow-flowered saxifrages; the former has leaves 3-7 mm long, while the latter has long, sinuous stolons.